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# BORN TO BE THE BEST

Accolade for hospital neonatal unit

SOUTHEND Hospital's neonatal unit has been named as one of the best in the UK.

The unit is only the fourth in the country to receive a UNICEF Baby Friendly Initiative award.

The accreditation demonstrates that policies and guidelines are in place to allow healthcare providers to effectively implement those standards.

Senior neonatal sister Emily Gaff said: "Research has shown playing music can help with the bonding process, which is key to brain development, so for one hour in the afternoon we play music such as nursery rhymes or Disney songs in the special care nursery."

"We've had some really positive feedback from parents who feel it offers some light relief at what can be a stressful and emotional time."

"It's also a way of including the whole family - we often have grandparents and siblings singing along to the songs."

She added: "We're delighted to have achieved this accreditation which acknowledges the high standards of care the team provides to vulnerable babies and their families."

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**SUCCESS:** Southend Hospital's neonatal unit has won national recognition

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# Council backs national campaign to get staff moving more at work **Don't be a desk potato!**

STAFF at Southend Council are being urged by bosses to get moving instead of sitting at their desks all day.

The rallying cry is part of the national On Your Feet Britain campaign, which encourages people to take every opportunity to sit less. And the authority hopes businesses will follow suit.

Lee Watson, from the council's public health team, said: "British people sit for nearly nine hours a day on average, and a body of research suggests sitting for more than four hours each day can increase the risk of heart disease, diabetes, depression and muscular skeletal problems such as back pain.

"Those who stand at work burn between 20-50 calories more per hour more than those sitting, while that doesn't sound much, over the course of a year that could be 30,000 calories more. We are promoting this campaign internally and are also asking businesses to do the same."

He suggests people whose jobs do not require lots of physical activity – like office work – can make small changes to reduce sitting time, such as making phone calls standing up, hav-

**ON THE MOVE: Council staff at the Civic Centre, Southend**  
Photo by Mark Cleveland



ing standing or walking meetings, using the stairs rather than the lift and taking a walk at lunch time instead of eating at the desk.

Southend's public health team supports businesses to help improve the

health and wellbeing of staff in a range of ways through the Southend Public Health Responsibility Deal, to find out more email leewatson@southend.gov.uk or call 01702 212818.

To find out more about On Your Feet Britain visit [www.getbritainstanding.org](http://www.getbritainstanding.org).

You can find it on Facebook and Twitter using #onyourfeetbritain or #OYFB.

## Hospital unit praised

**From front page**

In her report UNICEF's UK Baby Friendly Initiative deputy programme director, Carmel Duffy, spoke of "a family centred approach within the unit" and "excellent innovation in place with breast milk valued and emphasis on developmental care and involving parents as full partners in their baby's care."

The team is now working towards Stage 2 which they hope to achieve by the end of the year.

This is the latest Baby Friendly award for the hospital whose maternity services already hold a Stage 2 Baby Friendly accreditation jointly with South Essex Partnership Trust (SEPT).

## Quick facts

- Established in 1992 by UNICEF and the World Health Organisation (WHO), the Baby Friendly Initiative is a worldwide programme to encourage maternity hospitals to implement the Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding and to operate in accordance with the international code of marketing and breast milk substitutes.

- The UNICEF UK Baby Friendly Initiative subsequently extended the principles to include community health care services and university programmes for midwifery and health visiting and public health nursing.

- In the UK, the scheme works with health professionals to ensure that mothers and babies receive the best possible support around infant feeding, whether they choose to breastfeed or bottle feed their babies.

- Following a comprehensive review in 2012, the Baby Friendly standards were revised to include parent-infant relationship-building and very early child development, plus enhanced requirements in communication skills for staff.



**INVITATION: Nick Jones would like people with cars 25 years or older to join him and other car enthusiasts for breakfast**  
Photo by Mark Cleveland

## Breakfast beach rally for classic car owners

CLASSIC car enthusiasts have a chance to talk motors – and enjoy a bacon buttie – at a forthcoming beach breakfast in Southend.

The seaside rallies were first held last year to spark interest among owners of pre-1970s cars and saw around 20 owners comparing vehicles and swapping tales.

Nick Jones, Southend and

District Classic Car Club events secretary, said: "We started these breakfast meetings last year and they went so well, we decided to keep going this year."

"They are fun and anyone with a classic car is welcome to come along."

The next breakfast is on The Promenade on Sunday, May 17, with others planned for June 21 and September 20.



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**LUSTY BLOW:** Ravi Bopara, watched by Sam Billings, hits out for Essex Eagles against Kent Spitfires at Colchester



THE summer of cricket is well under way for Essex County Cricket Club and it is going to be an exciting season in all formats of the game.

Essex will compete on three fronts in the NatWest T20 Blast, Royal London One-Day Cup and LV= County Championship, as well as playing the touring Australians at Chelmsford in July.

Catch the NatWest T20 Blast at The Essex County Ground on Saturday, May 16, when the Essex Eagles face Surrey. There will be a further six home games tak-

ing place from May to July as the Eagles look to reach Finals Day.

The Essex Eagles have an array of talent in the squad including Ravi Bopara, Jesse Ryder and Shaun Tait – so why not come and support your county this summer?

For more information on the Essex Eagles' NatWest T20 Blast campaign and ticket information, visit [www.essexcricket.org.uk](http://www.essexcricket.org.uk) or call 01245 254010.

The Yellow Advertiser has teamed up with Essex County Cricket Club to give readers the opportunity to win a family ticket to the

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## NEWS

# Dad keeps his daughter in mind on charity ride

A *Yellow Advertiser* sales rep has cycled 300 miles in memory of his daughter.

Stuart Begg, 62, from Basildon, left Florence Park, Tiptree, last Wednesday and arrived at Highbury Stadium, Fleetwood, Lancashire, on Saturday, in time for Colchester United's last away match of the season. He was joined on the fundraising feat by Colchester United Football Club board members Robbie and Richard Cowling, and fellow fan Sam Wolton.

Stuart hopes the ride will raise £1,000 for the Teenage Cancer Trust. He has raised more than £380,000 for the charity since his daughter Emily, 14, died of leukaemia in November 2006. She asked her father to back the charity after it offered her support during her illness.

Stuart said: "When Emily knew she was terminally ill, typically thinking of others even at a time like that, she asked us to raise money for the Teenage Cancer Trust in order to help improve the chances of other young adults with cancers and lymphomas."

Robbie and Richard joined Stuart in 2013 when he cycled from Colchester to Carlisle, also in aid of the Teenage Cancer Trust.

After the ride Stuart said: "The training is the hard part. You do months of training for a four-day ride and the ride is the enjoyable bit."

"You get to see lovely parts of the country – the Peak District is the one that stays with me – and it's about the people you ride with, we all support each other."

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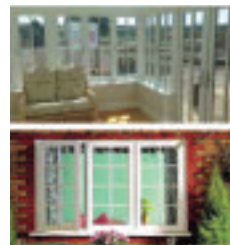
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# Silence at other end of phone

By Charles Thomson

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ESSEX Police has again refused to release information on whether it has snooped on journalists' phone records.

Police Commissioner Nick Alston said in March that he considered the force's lack of transparency over the issue a matter of "concern", after it refused to comply with legal action brought by trade publishers *Press Gazette*.

It has now refused to comply with an amended legal action filed by the *Yellow Advertiser*.

Essex Police was one of 26 forces across the UK which refused to answer *Press Gazette's* questions about whether it had accessed journalists' personal data under Regulation of

## Union campaigns as cops ignore 'spying' claims on press

Investigatory Powers (RIPA) laws.

It did so after the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) issued national guidance, telling police forces to reject all information requests over journalists' phone records, as "vexatious."

*Press Gazette* had launched its investigation after it was revealed last year that some forces had accessed journalists' phone records in their attempts to expose anonymous whistleblowers.

Powers under RIPA allow wire taps, bugging, surveillance and covert operations.

The Home Office has since introduced temporary measures ordering police to get permission from a judge

before they can snoop on journalists.

In a Freedom of Information request filed in March, the YA asked police: "Please provide a yes or no answer to this question – Has Essex Police at any time in the last three years used RIPA powers to obtain any journalist's phone records?"

The force has refused to answer the question.

It also refused to provide correspondence between the force and the interception of Communications Commissioner's Office.

The forces response told the YA to view an attached document, issued in response to a 'similar recent enquiry'.

The attached document was a letter

refusing to answer a query, branding it "vexatious".

Mr Alston said in March that he would monitor the force's responses to RIPA queries closely.

He said: "I do regard this matter to be of public concern and a proper subject for debate, though I understand there may be occasions when police may need to investigate the activities of a journalist."

"There is oversight of the use of RIPA by Essex Police and I have been assured that such use has been both proportionate and appropriate. I will however watch the developments in this matter closely and with interest."

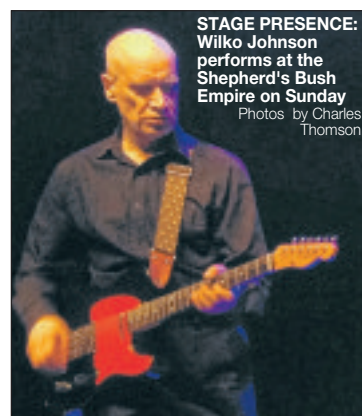
Michelle Stanistreet, general secre-

tary for the National Union of Journalists, said: "It says a lot about a police force when they refuse to provide basic information about the extent to their snooping and targeting of journalists, preferring to hide in bureaucratic excuses."

"No journalist can attempt to protect their source if the authorities can identify them using phone records without any prior notification or the ability to challenge the authority's actions."

"The union has been campaigning against the use of current laws to spy on journalists and other professionals."

"Journalists need to be able to protect their sources, materials and communications. Any new primary legislation after the general election needs to replace the existing powers and offer a shield law for journalists."



**STAGE PRESENCE:**  
Wilko Johnson  
performs at the  
Shepherd's Bush  
Empire on Sunday  
Photos by Charles  
Thomson

## Wilko: Feelgood factor shows he's still alive and kicking

ESSEX rock star Wilko Johnson brought his Still Kickin' tour to London on Sunday.

The former Dr Feelgood member performed a hit-filled set at the Shepherd's Bush Empire.

The guitarist and songwriter, who lives in Chalkwell and made his name writing songs about Canvey Island, is currently on his first tour after life-saving surgery.

He was wrongly diagnosed with terminal pancreatic cancer in early 2013 and given 10

months to live, but was told over a year later that his cancer was operable after all.

*Yellow Advertiser* reporter Charles Thomson, who secured an exclusive, one-hour interview with Wilko in February, was in the front row at the London show.

The rocker was supported by Essex band Eight Rounds Rapid, in which his son Simon plays guitar.

In February, Wilko told the YA he was worried about his ability to perform after surgery removed his pan-

creas, spleen and parts of his stomach and intestines.

He said: "I've done a couple of appearances – get up and play a couple of numbers – and what I'm hoping now is that I will have the stamina to do a whole gig. In my mind, I imagine sort of going, 'One, two, three, four', and then falling flat on me face or something."

Charles said Wilko's fears appeared to have been unfounded.

He said: "I've interviewed Wilko twice in recent years –

once when he thought he had a month to live and again when he had just recovered from massive surgery and didn't know if he could carry on touring. But watching him perform at Shepherd's Bush, you wouldn't know he'd ever had anything wrong with him."

"He only played for an hour, but he was full of energy. He ran all over the stage doing his trademark dance moves and machine-gunning the crowd with his guitar. During an encore of Chuck Berry's

Bye Bye Johnny, he duck-walked across the stage and then hoisted his guitar into the air and played it behind his head."

"It was heartwarming to see him back up on stage and looking so well, which would have seemed like an impossibility not so long ago. He looked like he was having a lot of fun."

● To listen to a 40-minute edit of Wilko's February interview with the YA, visit: <http://tinyurl.com/YAWilkoCHat>

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# British soldiers tackle Hadleigh's bike track

BRITISH Army cyclists assaulted Hadleigh Country Park's Olympic mountain bike course during a national competition.

The first race of the 2015 Army Inter-Unit Mountain Bike Cross Country Series saw bikers put through their paces over the redesigned 2012 Games course.

Around 150 soldiers from all capbadges across the country took part in the race, run by the Army Cycling Union.

The event was also a test for Hadleigh Park, which is opening at the end of April after being redeveloped for public use since it hosted mountain biking during the London 2012 Olympics.

Gary Sullivan, chairman of Active Leisure, said: "The past few years have seen us transform this Olympic venue into a world class sporting facility.

"We were delighted to host the Army Inter-Unit event, which is just the start of some of the great events we plan to host here over the coming years.

"It allowed us to test the trails ahead of our opening to the general public.

"Our aim in redeveloping Hadleigh Park is to inspire and encourage future generations to



**TOUGH:** British Army cyclists put the Olympic track through its paces

be excited about sport, as well as instilling the Olympic and Paralympic values to all," he added.

The Olympic bike course has been retained and developed and a new and wider network of trails have been created to cater for a

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The mountain bike course opens to the public on April 29.

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Acts taking part include Shouting Signals, Chris Robson, The Prefabs, Double Headed Jester, Johnny's Cash, Minerva Falls, Phazed, Fire at Dawn, Lost on Broadway, the Beatniks, Melissa Chapman, Sandpilots, The Caramellos and Rollin Machine.

Scott Dolling, the council's head of economy, regeneration and tourism, said: "These showcases

are an exciting new reason for people to visit the pier. "Live music creates an excellent ambience and showcasing new talent fuses together our rich cultural offer and the pier's tourism credentials.

"It is part of the variety of ways the pier is reaching out to new audiences and contributing to increasing numbers of visitors every year."

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### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### One child at risk of radicalisation

ESSEX County Council has only received one referral in three years about a child deemed to be at risk

of radicalisation.

The authority said the youngster was referred to its child social care services by a school because the individual was thought to be at risk of far right radicalisation.

It found the child was at risk of radicalisation but did not release details on any action taken.

The county council said no children have been referred for suspected Islamic radicalisation.

#### Pupils expelled for weapons at school

SIX schoolchildren have been

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NEWS



**GIFT:** Back row, from left, Carol Hammond, nurse Christine Seeley and Jane Murphy at Harcourt House, Southend. Front, nurse Gina Logan, Lyn Murphy, and nurse Catherine Deeming with the two nebulisers and a photo of Eric and May Murphy

Photo by Martin Dalton

## Sisters donate nebulisers for patients in memory of parents

TWO sisters have donated nebulisers to NHS services in Southend in memory of their parents.

May and Eric Murphy had relied on the machines during their illnesses.

Eric suffered with chronic obstructive pulmonary disorder (COPD) and May had treatment for non-Hodgkin's lymphoma of the thyroid gland, which left her with a tracheotomy tube.

Mr Murphy was treated by the respiratory team until his death in December 2014.

A collection at Mr Murphy's funeral enabled

his daughters to purchase two nebulisers to help COPD sufferers manage their condition.

Lyn Murphy said: "I hope the nebulisers we've donated will help other patients as much as they helped mum and dad."

Respiratory nurse Gina Logan said: "We are very grateful for the donation. There is always a high demand for nebulisers with the growing numbers of patients suffering from COPD."

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# The case of 'so long, farewell'

A POLICE officer remained on paid suspension for eight months after being convicted of committing crimes while he was on duty.

PC Stephen Tilley, 36, of Millview Meadows in Rochford, was finally sacked last week, after being convicted of misconduct in a public office in August 2014.

Misconduct papers said Tilley "abused his position to form relationships with a number of females".

The Taxpayers' Alliance criticised Essex Police for taking so long to sack the officer.

Tilley pleaded guilty to the offence at Ipswich Crown Court on August 18 last year.

The criminal charge said he had "abused, for personal purposes, information provided to him in a position of trust in his official capacity by members of the public". It also said he had "abused his authority to access personal data on Essex Police computer systems and inspected such data when not necessary to do so for purposes of preventing or detecting crime".

He had carried out checks on 11 women and three men without any policing purpose.

His disciplinary hearing was not held until last Friday, April 24, where he was finally sacked.

Chief inspector Ben Hodder, once district commander for Thurrock, was also sacked last week.

Hodder, 34, of San Marcos Drive in Chafford Hundred, was convicted on March 13 of making indecent images of children.

He pleaded guilty at Snaresbrook Crown Court to possessing five images on his mobile phone.

The phone was seized when he was arrested in May 2014, after a concerned parent contacted police over their teenage son's internet use.



**DISMISSED:** Ben Hodder, one of two officers sacked last week

**EXCLUSIVE**

By Charles Thomson

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Officers discovered Hodder had been talking to the boy.

He received a six-month jail term, suspended for two years, and must observe a curfew, monitored by an electric tag, for six months. He must also sign the Sex Offenders' Register for seven years.

Hodder remained on paid suspension for six weeks after being convicted of the sex offence.

Jonathan Isaby, chief executive of the Taxpayers' Alliance, criticised the lengthy paid suspensions.

He said: "Everyone deserves a fair hearing but too often it seems these cases drag on and on, with taxpayers picking up the tab. Ultimately, residents want bobbies on the beat, not police officers being paid to sit at home."

Announcing the sackings, chief constable Stephen Kavanagh said: "This force has a huge amount to be proud of, which is why I find it hugely disappointing when rogue officers like these two let down their colleagues and the people of Essex so badly."

"There is no place in my force for people who commit offences like these and any officer or staff member convicted of similar crimes can expect to be dismissed."

"I would like to pay tribute to the victims in these cases who had the courage to report these crimes and see them through to the court."

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## Why eight months to finally sack convicted officer, asks alliance?

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Residents who attended were offered free transport, free lunch and refreshments and a goody bag full of useful crime prevention gadgets and personal safety information.

Fran Dunn, a tai chi instructor, said: "Tai chi, combines relaxation with slow and gentle movements, working with our bodies to promote balance, both in mind and body, giving general benefits for fall prevention and improvement of balance in older people (as well as young) and a calmness to help improve psychological health."

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## Event for seniors well worth a visit

I ATTENDED the Community Older Persons Event (COPE) in April organised by Rochford District Council. Apparently these events have been running for quite a few years now, but I must admit I had not noticed them until a friend attended one last year and gave it a good report.

It was held at Hockley Community Centre in Westminster Drive and was a day packed with information from various organisations including the fire service, Neighbourhood Watch, police, transport services, trading standards, voluntary services and community safety.

There was a couple of keep fit sessions that you were invited to join in from chair fit and tai chi organisations.

I thought the day was well worth it if only for the excellent free buffet lunch, tea, coffee and biscuits on tap and meeting and talking to new and interesting people.

If you have a problem getting to these events, free transport may be available.

There are two more events this year – June 25 at Great Wakering Community Centre and on October 1 at Stanbridge Memorial Hall.

I would really recommend you attend one of these events, as you may actually learn something useful that could save your life or at least save

you money.

To reserve your place ring 01702 318103.

**Alan James Hockley**

## What's that smell of burning?

RE: So much for fresh sea air in Southend...and Canvey too! (YA, April 24)

We moved from Prittlewell to Ashingdon in August 2013 and have experienced the yellow "Sahara" dust on a couple of occasions, but more worryingly we have also noticed a pungent foul odour of smoke on many occasions, day and night. So much so that we have had to close all of our doors and windows.

The stench is usually more noticeable on windy days and appears to cover most of Ashingdon, ruling out neighbours' bonfires and chimneys, although it is rather reminiscent of burning fields and industrial chimneys.

We can but wonder about its origin and the possible harm that this acrid air may have on our health, and that of the good people of Ashingdon, especially children and the elderly.

Someone should investigate this stinking problem and/or give us a satisfactory explanation; including an indication of how soon it can be resolved.

**Dr & Mrs J R Gurney Ashingdon**

## Nice try at stopping flyposting

I DOUBT whether £30 fines or even £90, proposed by Castle Point Council, could prevent the right-wing parties from illegally erecting billboards on public land, as well as preventing their flyposting activities.

Goodness knows these amounts are chicken feed compared to the amounts being spent on publicity by both the right-wing belligerents in Castle Point.

However, well done to the council, for at least attempting to stop this extremely childish behaviour.

**Brian Wilson Benfleet**

## Who voted to put is in the dark?

I WONDER if Essex County councillors took the trouble to consult The Highway Code before voting to turn off the street lights?

Page 133, section 8, states: "Many of the worst collisions happen at night. Between midnight and 6am is a time of high risk for new drivers. Avoid driving then unless it is really necessary."

The back cover of The Highway Code states: "A failure to observe any of the provisions of The Highway Code

might be used as evidence in legal proceedings."

I wonder if the residents at risk in Castle Point will ever discover which councillors voted to turn the lights off.

**Bernard Evans Thundersley**

## Cut through the red tape

I DO feel that candidates standing in the local borough council elections this year should have the gumption to help residents cut through the bureaucracy they sometimes face when trying to report and get the council to do something about repairs in their area.

In particular, potholes and faulty streetlights seem to cause particular difficulties as far as the county council is concerned.

For sometime now I've been trying, so far unsuccessfully, to get a light on a pathway repaired.

While I have managed to get the light in question mended once it has gone again.

When I reported it for the second time I was told that I could track the light in question so that I could monitor progress. Great, I thought, that

sounds like a plan.

Unfortunately though these days one isn't given a reference number and such tracking is not really feasible either on or offline.

Potholes are also a continuing problem. What seems to happen is that when potholes occur, they are then patched up by county only to re-appear a short time later needing a further repair patch-job.

Such an approach, while cheaper in the short-run strikes me as a false economy.

As my dad used to say, "don't spoil the ship for a ha'porth of tar" or in the case of many of our road repairs and maintenance is concerned a better result would be to re-surface the roads with recurring problems.

I do hope that the successful candidates in the elections, whatever their party label, will not forget that it is the practical things they can do, like putting local borough pressure

on the county council that can be far more effective and more appreciated by their electorate.

**Pat Rackley St Martin's Ward**

## Graffiti thugs

WITH shouts of "Dad – someone's drawn graffiti all over our election board", this stirred me out of bed to take a look.

The words "racist scum" were written with a marker pen.

I guess voting for UKIP is incredibly terrible to the people that did this. My first instincts were to replace the board with a bigger one.

However, my wife and children were now worried that other more serious attacks would take place.

UKIP are meant to represent the nasty divisive, intolerant side to humanity. It seems to me the left now hold that mantle close to their hearts.

**Terry Clayton Grays**



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## Taxi driver's dream about casino win turns into a £90,000 reality



**CHEQUE MATE:** Goksel Selay, right, with casino deputy general manager Andy Pieri

TAXI driver Goksel Selay's dream about a big win came true when he scooped a near £90,000 jackpot at a Southend casino.

Selay, 53, from Swanley, Kent, was dealt four aces to win the Blackjack Aces jackpot of £89,950 in a game which links 35 casinos nationwide at the casino in Western Esplanade.

"I had a dream a few days earlier about winning big money and that night when I went to work it was very quiet, so I thought I would try my luck because I had had the dream - and it turned into

reality." The father-of-two plans to spend part of his winnings on the family home, a car for his wife and to put some aside for his teenage children.

As a private hire driver work sometimes takes him into Southend and he has been a customer at Genting Club, Westcliff, for 10 years.

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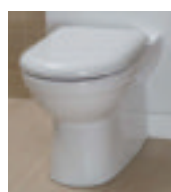
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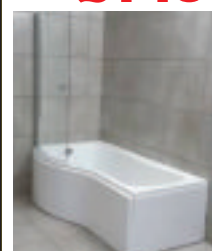
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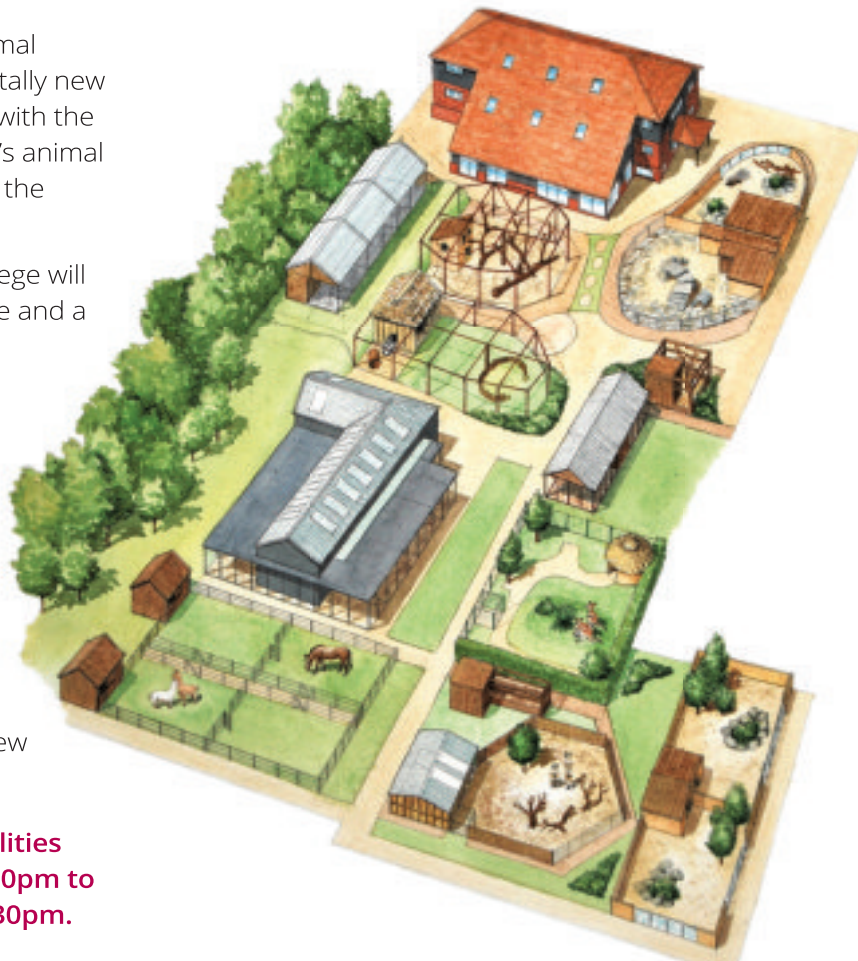
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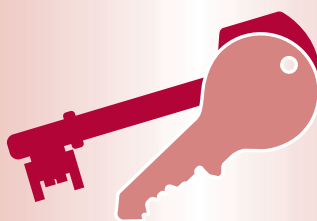
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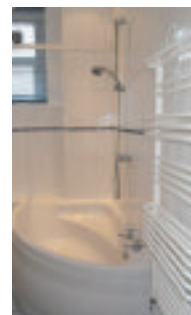
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Georgian Town House

En-suite bathroom/wc

Grade 2 listed

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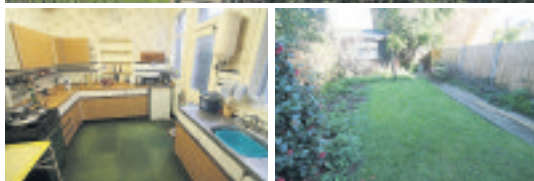
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Spacious accommodation

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## Westcliff On Sea £94,500



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## WESTCLIFF £310,000

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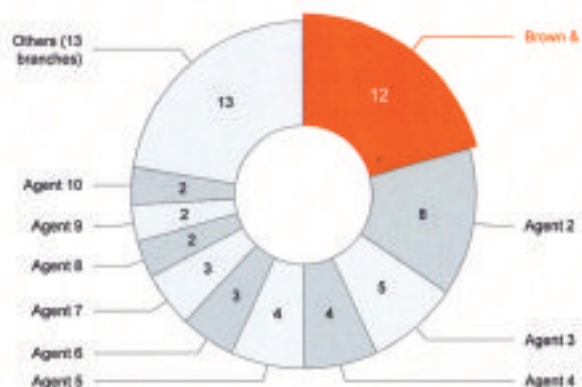
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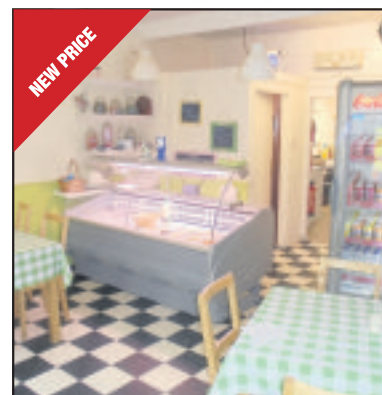
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## Ask the Agent

Alan Kirkman

**Q. What effect, if any, do you think the latest pension change could have on the property market?**

**A. I assume you're referring to the fact that since Easter, it has become possible for people to cash in their entire pension pot, to spend it how they will.**

And certainly, there has been a fair amount of speculation that quite a lot of them may choose to spend it on property.

Of course, there are a number of reasons why property is likely to prove a popular choice for those choosing to take control of their pension pots and invest in something other than an annuity.

However, I don't necessarily think this means that there will be a sudden flood of pensioner-investors into the market, looking for properties to buy and rent out – thereby, for example, making life even more difficult for hard-pressed first time buyers.

Why do I say that? Well, for one thing, financing a property investment is likely to prove difficult for many people over 55,



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because lenders have been toughening their stance on borrowers who cannot repay their mortgage before retirement. Buying properties with cash is of course an option, but with the average pension pot in the UK apparently standing at just £25,000, this is hardly going to be an option available to very many. Tax liability is a further important consideration. Anyone in the fortunate position of being able to buy an investment property with their pension pot could well find that the projected rental income might push them into a higher tax bracket.

As a result of all this, I personally suspect that any growth in property transactions that can be attributed to this change in pension rules is probably most likely to manifest itself in an increase in the numbers of pensioners choosing to downsize in order to release additional equity to help fund their retirement years – either by selling their existing home to purchase something smaller, or by moving to a cheaper area.

So there we have it. From your question, it's not clear whether you are a pensioner yourself, or a concerned first-time buyer.

But either way, I think that the net effect of these changes on the property market as a whole is likely to be fairly minimal.

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Must landlords use a deposit protection scheme?

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These rules state that a landlord letting out a property using an Assured Shorthold Tenancy must put the money into (or insure the deposit via) one of the three accredited schemes within 30 days of receiving the cash from the tenant.

Of course there is no tenant deposit police keeping an eye on this system but, instead, matters will unravel if a tenant suspects his or her landlord hasn't lodged their deposit with a scheme. Tenants can easily find this out online via each of the three deposit schemes' websites and if their landlord still won't put the money into a scheme, they are entitled to go to court.

At this point most landlords then quickly go on the straight and narrow and 'get official' but for those who don't an automatic fine totalling three times the original deposit awaits.

Many landlords who don't use the deposit schemes believe it will 'never happen to them' but the official figures on deposits reveal how common deposit disputes are. These most recent research reveals that approximately 30 percent of all deposits are contested in some shape or form and consequently only returned in part or not at all.



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**Ashingdon**

£405,000

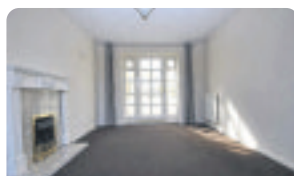
240ft deep plot, is this 4 bed 2 reception room rear garden measuring 180ft x 60ft (narrowing to 30ft). Further benefits include a modern fitted kitchen/breakfast room, master bedroom with en-suite and an integral garage approached via a block paved driveway.



**Rochford**

£239,995

A well maintained three bedroom semi detached house located in a popular location, benefitting from a 15'10" kitchen / diner and 15'10" lounge, a family bathroom, garage and off road parking, double glazing and gas central heating, offered with no onward chain.



**Rochford**

£275,000

3 bed 2 reception room plus a Upvc double glazed conservatory detached house, located in a central location, close to Rochford Square and mainline railway station. The property benefits from an en suite to master bedroom, ground floor cloakroom, garage and off road parking, double glazing



**Ashingdon**

£395,000

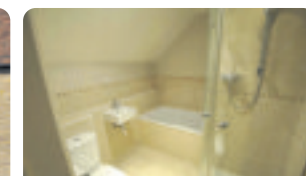
4 bed detached conservatory overlooking the rear garden, 21' lounge and a dining room, a lovely kitchen with some integrated appliances and a utility room, GF cloakroom, and the bed has en-suite shower room and a bathroom. 16'11" x 14'1" garage with an electric door, 70' garden



**Rochford**

£215,000

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**Southchurch Park £149,995**

Two bedroom ground floor flat. Lounge 13' x 12'. Recently installed bathroom. Kitchen. Newly fitted gas fire boiler. Double glazed. Parking to the front. Section of west backing rear garden. Walking distance of all local amenities including mainline railway station and seafront. Ideal first purchase or buy to let investment. EPC: D



**Southend-on-Sea £115,000**

Two bedroom first floor flat in need of modernisation. Lounge 15' x 13'. Bedroom one 11' x 9'. Bedroom two 10' x 9'. Shower room. Kitchen 10' x 7'. Gas fired heating. Some double glazing. Close to Southend town centre and seafront. No onward chain. EPC: D



**Westcliff-on-Sea £190,000**

Four bedroom family house in need of some modernisation and refurbishment. Located close to London Road shops and amenities. Entrance hall. Lounge. Dining room. Kitchen. Bathroom w/c. Enclosed garden. uPVC double glazed. Ideal family purchase. EPC: F

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**Southend-on-Sea £199,950**

Three bedroom mid-terrace house. Entrance hall. Lounge. Fitted kitchen/diner. Bathroom w/c. Large garden. Gas central heating via radiators (not tested). uPVC double glazed. Off-road parking space. Some internal decoration required. EPC: D



**Southend-on-Sea £299,995**

Overlooking Jones Memorial Park and with a south facing garden is this four bedroom, three reception room detached house benefiting from a long workshop to the rear which could be converted into an annexe with the right planning approval and easy access to all transport links, schools and town centre. EPC: F



**Clifftown Conservation Area £149,995**

Well presented two bedroom first floor flat. Lounge 16'1" x 15" maximum. Kitchen 12" x 10'. Bathroom/shower room. Separate w.c. Useful loft area. Double glazing. Gas central heating. Pine stripped internal doors. Some original features remain. Internal viewing recommended. EPC: D

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**ALEXANDRIA ROAD - £525 pcm**

Self contained (one double bedroom) ground floor flat located close to the Town Centre, mainline railway stations, seafront, Cliff Gardens, mainline railway stations and all amenities. One bedroom. One large lounge. Modern fitted kitchen. Bathroom with shower. Central Heating. AVAILABLE EARLY JUNE. UNFURNISHED. NO PETS. EPC D. Admin fee £100 per adult.



**MARINE AVENUE - £525 pcm**

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**YORK ROAD - £425 pcm**

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**ALEXANDRIA ROAD - £700 pcm**

Ground floor TWO double bedroom apartment with close proximity to Southend Town Centre, mainline railway stations and Cliff Gardens benefiting from a large Lounge. Modern fitted kitchen with appliances. Bathroom with shower. Central Heating. Double Glazed. AVAILABLE MID MAY. FULLY FURNISHED. NO PETS. EPC D. Admin fee £150 per adult.



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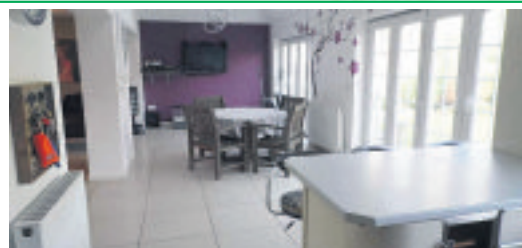


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## THUNDERSLEY £249,995

Situated within The King John School catchment area this semi detached chalet offers four bedrooms, 15ft lounge, L-shaped kitchen/breakfast room, and a ground floor bathroom. The property also benefits from gas heating, double glazing, ample off street parking and a detached garage. No onward chain.



## THUNDERSLEY £440,000

Situated in this popular cul-de-sac within The King John School catchment area this extended detached house offers four good size bedrooms, 17'10 lounge, impressive 22'9 x 20'3 family room which is open plan to an 18'1 fitted kitchen, utility room, 4 piece bathroom and ground floor cloakroom.



## THUNDERSLEY £235,000

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### Leigh-on-sea £279,995

Beautifully presented three bedroom semi detached family house in very popular location close to schools, shops and bus routes, impressive long block paved driveway to garage, cloaks/w.c., large lounge, fitted kitchen, three good size bedrooms, gas c/h, double glazing, luxury bathroom. Ref etl



### Superb groundfloor flat off Leigh Broadway £275,000

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### Four Bedroom Chalet Bungalow with 80' west facing garden, Westcliff £310,000

Internal viewing is essential to fully appreciate this most spacious four bedroom chalet bungalow situated in this popular and convenient location within walking distance of Earls Hall Schools, High Schools and Southend Hospital. The property also benefits from a 80' approx. West facing Rear Garden. There are two spacious reception rooms, a conservatory, fitted kitchen and two shower rooms. Ref etl5321



### Marine Estate, Leigh £379,995

Power of attorney sale - keys available to view this lovely semi detached chalet style property situated in an eagerly sought after location within walking distance of Leigh station. The property offer lots of scope for alteration to create further bedrooms/ reception rooms. Currently there are two bedrooms on the first floor, a spacious front lounge, a rear 2nd lounge, a large conservatory and a spacious fitted kitchen. There is also a garage and pretty garden. Ref etl5324

# Town & Country team



### Ground floor flat with garage, Leigh-on-sea £199,995

Superb ground floor flat with garage and share of the Freehold. The property is beautifully presented throughout and an internal viewing is strongly advised. Local amenities are all within walking distance including local shops and Waitrose Supermarket. Well maintained gardens and patio area, 16'9 x 16' Lounge, 14'8 x 11' luxury fitted kitchen, large double bedroom, luxury bathroom Ref etl5322

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### Superb luxury refurbished three bedroom bungalow, Hadleigh £325,000

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### Three bedroom Apartment off LEIGH BROADWAY £299,995

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### Highlands, Leigh £345,000

This extremely spacious three bedroom semi detached house has two large reception rooms, both with fireplaces, good size kitchen, 80' rear garden & detached garage. The property is situated on the sought after Highlands Estate within the Westleigh and Belfairs school catchment areas and is also within walking distance of Leigh Station. Early viewin is strongly advised. Ref etl5312.

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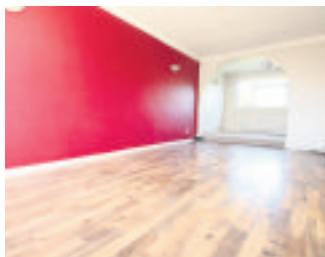
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Local estate agency Connells in Rayleigh is urging both landlords and tenants to pick their letting agents wisely, before entering into an agreement that may not provide the protection you require.

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After the Government's announcement that retiree's are now able to access a greater proportion of their pension annuity, some aspiring investors may turn their focus to buy-to-let property. With this in mind, Connells believes that now is an extremely important time for anybody thinking of letting a property to be aware of the correct and current procedures to ensure you are gaining the best possible return from your property and have the right tenants to match your needs.

"There may be an influx of novice landlords over the next few months because of the recent pension changes. Therefore we believe it is vitally important that landlords understand the importance of their letting agent being transparent about the fees they charge and how they are regulated," says Rob.

"Here at Connells we are a member of the Association of Residential Letting Agents (ARLA) which is the leading regulatory letting body in the UK. We also hold our tenant's deposits in the Tenant Deposit Scheme which offers security to both landlords and tenants when the tenancy comes to an end. The services we offer as a letting agent are exactly the type of procedures agents should be providing to protect their customers and it is imperative that whether you are a tenant or landlord you do your research into this before rushing into instructing an agent or letting a house from them," Rob finishes.

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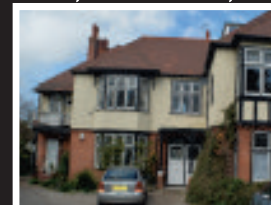
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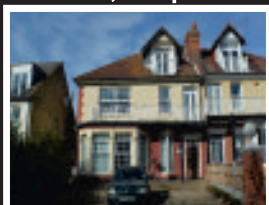
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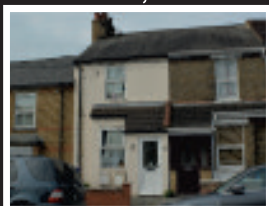
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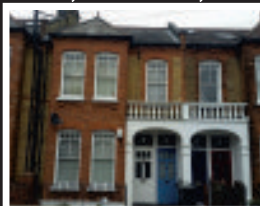
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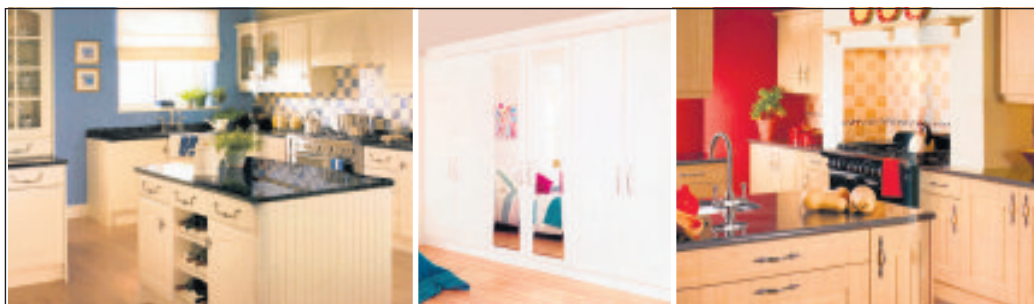
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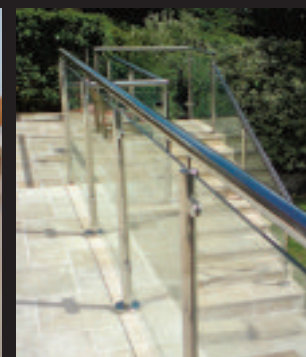
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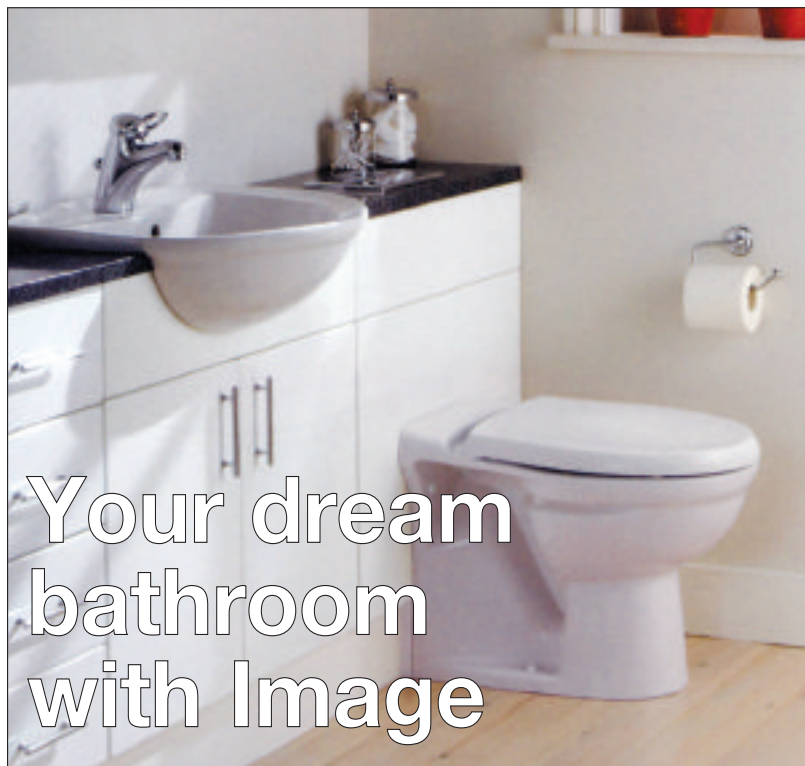
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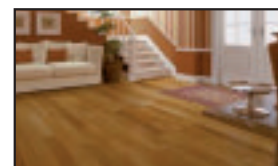
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## PRIDE OF THE YANKEES

By **LIZ WADE**

**A**FTER a three-year absence, internationally acclaimed country singer Charley Pride has touched down in the UK – a place the 77-year-old loves to return to.

Charley, who has enjoyed success since the early-to-mid 1970s when he became the best-selling artist for RCA Records since Elvis Presley, may have his roots in the USA but he holds the UK among his favourite destinations.

The singer and guitarist says: "The reason I come a lot is that I love them and they love me. You can't get better than that."

During his UK tour he will be appearing at IndigO2, Greenwich, on May 2, before heading to the Essex coast and performing at the Cliffs Pavilion, Southend, on Sunday, May 3.

Charley, who had 36 chart-topping country hits including Kiss An Angel Good Morning and won three Grammy Awards between 1967 and 1986, is one of the few African-American country musicians to experience huge commercial success and only the second to be inducted as a member of the Grand Ole Opry.

Becoming a trailblazing country music superstar is a far cry from his humble beginnings as the son of a sharecropper on a cotton farm in Sledge, Mississippi, and his music was not the talent that he used to get out of working in the fields.

Charley said: "I used to go picking cotton beside my dad at a time of Jackie Robinson, when he went to major league.

"I said to my dad, here's how to get out of the cotton fields. I thought one of these days I'm not gonna pick cotton anymore.

"I believe every kid has a dream. I didn't

believe in just getting up and eating and sleeping."

While Charley bought his first guitar at the age of 14, and taught himself to play by listening to songs he heard on the radio which his father tuned to Nashville's WSM-AM in order to catch Grand Ole Opry broadcasts, it was when he was 16 that he emerged as a talented baseball player.

His sporting career, which began when he played in the Iowa State League, included time with a number of different teams such as the Boise Yankees, the Class C farm team of the New York Yankees, the El Paso Kings, a team in Nogales, Mexico, the Birmingham Black Barons – to which he was traded with another player for a used bus – and the Memphis Red Sox, a team he was signed to on four separate occasions.

During his third stint with the Red Sox in 1956 he won 14 games as a pitcher and earned himself a position on the Negro American League All-Star Team, pitching against a group of major league all-stars including Willie Mays, Hank Aaron, Al Smith and Gene Baker.

During his time playing baseball Charley entertained team-mates by playing his guitar and singing on the team bus while performing onstage whenever he had the chance.

Between 1956 and 1958 Charley served in the US army, before rejoining the Red Sox for a fourth time and moving to Montana in 1960 to play for the Missoula Timberjacks.

Although he ended up working at a smelter he began making a name for himself singing the national anthem at baseball games and playing at honky-tonks and nightclubs. He even got the chance to perform with country singers Red Sovine and Red Foley during one of their shows, thanks

to the help of local DJ Tiny Stokes.

When it was clear a career in major league baseball was not on the cards, Charley returned to Montana via Tennessee because Sovine had told him to go to Nashville if he ever became serious about a singing career.

When he walked into Cedarwood Publishing in Nashville, the company that booked Sovine's shows, it was sheer luck that he met Jack Johnson, who had been actively searching for a promising black country singer.

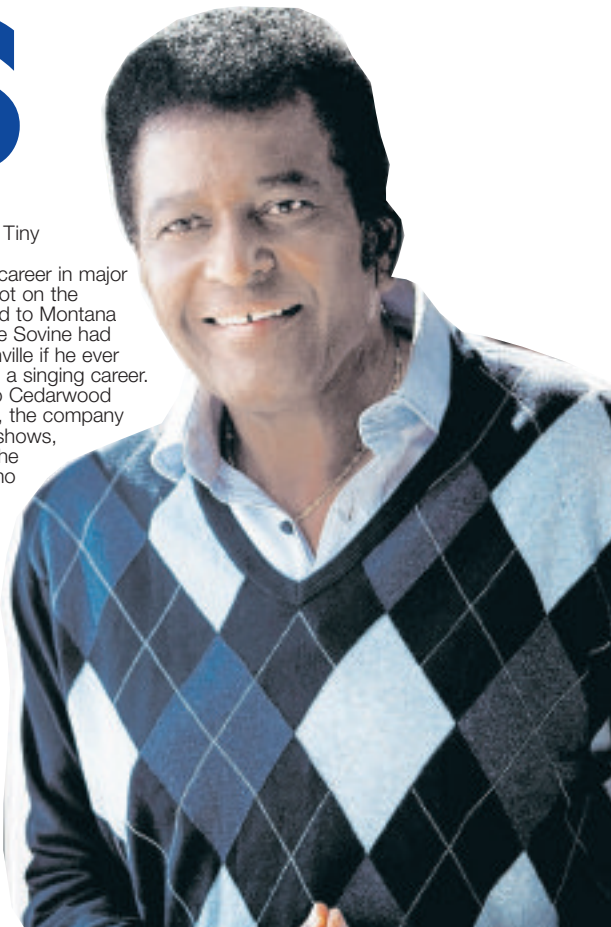
Charley added: "Back when I was playing there were only 16 clubs in the major league. If you didn't make the major league you were out. I was just glad I could sing.

"I started singing in nightclubs. Just went to Nashville and cut a record and here I am.

When I went to Nashville they gave me seven songs. I took the songs and worked them up.

"They told me to send them back but I took them back, over 200 miles away."

The rest is history. Ever since that chance meeting Charley has been recording songs, playing to audiences and travelling the



**PITCHING IN:** Country superstar Charley Pride is coming to Southend

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# PrimeTime film review

## Crowd surfing



**FOLLOWING IN FAMOUS FOOTSTEPS:** Carey Mulligan as Bathsheba Everdene reprises the role made famous by Julie Christie in 1967  
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### FAR FROM THE MADDING CROWD (12A, 119 mins)

A RECENT re-release of John Schlesinger's 1967 version of *Far From The Madding Crowd* provided a timely reminder of the raw emotional power of Thomas Hardy's late 19th-century novel and Julie Christie's luminous portrayal of spirited heroine, Bathsheba Everdene.

Danish director Thomas Vinterberg brings a delicate touch to this handsome new incarnation, which runs 50 minutes shorter than its predecessor and is under-nourished as a consequence.

One tragic supporting character, who should shatter our hearts to smithereens, is reduced to a simplistic two-dimensional plot device, and the heroine's vacillations between three potential suitors seem more haphazard than usual in a noticeably rushed final act.

Moreover, one of these paramours has significantly more screen time, so her choice is inevitable.

Feelings are tightly buttoned beneath Janet Patterson's splendid costumes and when one of the characters does eventually lose control and commits a

fatal "crime of passion" at a Christmas party, we're just as surprised by the outburst as the film's clucky social set.

The film opens in 1870 with Bathsheba (Carey Mulligan) living with her aunt Mrs Hurst on the adjacent property to handsome sheep farmer, Gabriel Oak (Matthias Schoenaerts).

She rebuffs his heartfelt advances, telling a crestfallen Gabriel, "I don't want a husband. I don't want to be some man's property".

Soon after, Bathsheba inherits her uncle's vast estate and defies expectation to turn around the ailing farm, aided by her companion Liddy (Jessica Barden).

Gabriel, who has fallen on hard times, is hired by Bathsheba as the estate's shepherd and continues to pine for her from afar. Meanwhile, emotionally repressed and wealthy farmer William Boldwood (Michael Sheen) makes his feelings for Bathsheba known, but her head is turned by dashing and reckless Sergeant Troy (Tom Sturridge), whose heart was broken at the altar by servant girl Fanny (Juno Temple).

These three suitors leave Bathsheba in an emotional whirl and when Boldwood

offers her financial security as his bride, she turns to brooding Gabriel for advice.

"I need someone who's objective, indifferent," Fanny tells the shepherd.

"Then I'm afraid you're asking the wrong man," pointedly responds Gabriel.

Anchored by Mulligan's nuanced performance, *Far From The Madding Crowd* is a visually arresting, but ultimately anaemic portrait of rural desires.

Schoenaerts wrestles in vain with a West Country accent, while Sheen and Sturridge have limited screen time to match fond memories of Peter Finch and Terence Stamp in respective roles in the 1967 film.

While Vinterberg's vision, filmed on location in pastoral Dorset, Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire, lacks emotional heft, it packs a mighty visual punch thanks to cinematographer Charlotte Bruus Christensen.

Rolling landscapes look invitingly wild and untamed, bathed largely in natural light, and the nascent beauty of leading lady Mulligan shines through the artfully composed muck and grime.

**Released: May 1**  
**RATING: 6/10**

## Stage

## 'I was just glad I could sing'

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"People like what I do," he says. "First of all they like my voice. I'm inside the business of selling music, lyrics and emotion. I sell it the best I can."

While Charley, who has been one of the owners of the Texas Rangers major league baseball team since 2010, has had a glittering career in music and many a moment on ballparks across America, his most memo-

rable one is his induction into the Country Music Hall of Fame.

When his name was announced by Hall of Famer, Brenda Lee, back in 2000, he admits "the tears started to come!"

He adds: "Even now, I get goosebumps."

■ To see Charley Pride at the Cliffs Pavilion, Southend, on Sunday, May 3, call the box office on 01702 351135 or visit [www.southendtheatres.org.uk](http://www.southendtheatres.org.uk).



# Liz at Large

YA features reporter Liz Wade goes out and about with her boys



## Paradise found on 'magic carpet' ride

**A**N ANCIENT coppice woodland towers above carpets of bluebells at Norsey Woods, a paradise for walkers and wildlife lovers alike.

The local nature reserve, to be found in the heart of Billericay, is designated as an ancient monument and Site of Specific Scientific Interest because of its 400-year history.

But this history was nearly lost as the area was threatened by housing development almost 40 years ago, until the local council stepped in and bought the site to save it.

Today, more than 60,000 people visit the 165-acre woodland every year, all of whom are drawn by its beautiful walks, stunning scenery and wonderful flowers and wildlife.

The ancient wood is divided by rides – long narrow glades that open up the woodland to light – many of which are thought to date back to the Iron Age. The earliest written evidence of these rides, which criss-cross the woodland floor, is a map dated 1593.

This, combined with the richness of its wildlife including many rare species, make the wood a unique one. As well as protecting the area's history, the wood is also helping to conserve biodiversity by providing suitable homes for threatened

species such as the dormouse, which is being monitored as part of the National Dormouse Monitoring Project, and the pipistrelle bat.

The endangered dormouse, a very secretive, nocturnal animal, finds Norsey Woods as an ideal home as it uses its aerial walkways of low branches while foraging for berries, nuts and insects.

Other wildlife spotted at the woods include 24 species of butterfly such as the purple hairstreak, the white admiral and the tortoiseshell butterfly which opens and closes its wings rapidly to confuse and alarm predators.

Its oak trees can contain up to 300 different types of insects, while its acorns provide a food for birds and animals, and their trunks are often used by the wood's population of great spotted woodpecker who can be heard drumming their bills on dead branches to establish territory.

You can wander around the nature reserve at your leisure or opt for the well-marked-out Norsey Wood trail, which takes you on a one-and-a-half mile walk around the woodland, taking in many of its features along



**PEACE AND BEAUTY:** The 165-acre Norsey Woods attracts 60,000 visitors a year

the way. The trail, which can be downloaded from Basildon Council's website before you set out, takes visitors past one of the wood's three ponds – home to a healthy population of newts – as well as the remains of historic trenches that were dug by the London defence volunteers during World War One as practice defensive trenches, and a heather glade that is home to drag-

onflies, grass snakes and slow worms.

Wander further through the sweet chestnut coppice and along the wood's main ride, see what remains of the wood's bank which once surrounded the entire wood to help protect the coppice regrowth from deer, and walk by the tumulus – reputed to be the only authenticated Bronze Age burial mound in Essex.

If you prefer a shorter stroll there is also an easy-access trail, a surfaced path of about three-quarters-of-a-mile which is also suitable for wheelchair users.

● For further information about Norsey Woods, the car park for which can be found off Outwood Common Road, Billericay, visit [www.basildon.gov.uk](http://www.basildon.gov.uk) and [www.norsewood.org.uk](http://www.norsewood.org.uk)

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**However, you can add the details of your event to our website at [www.yellowad.co.uk](http://www.yellowad.co.uk)**

### Saturday, May 2

- Raleigh History Walk - 3pm from Raleigh Windmill, Bellingham Lane, £2pp, 01268 775328.
- The South East Essex Ramblers - visit <http://sites.google.com/site/southeastessramblers> to find out when we are walking this week.
- Counselling service - The Olive Tree Centre, 9am-9pm, call anytime and we will get back to you, 01702 524346, enquiries@olivetreecentre.org.uk.
- Yugioh Club - play and trade yugioh, 120 Southend Road, St Catherine's Church Hall, Wickford, SS11 8EB, mini tournaments, 1.30-4.20pm, 07985 671289.
- Dads and Kids Club - The Megacentre, Rayleigh, 10.30am-1.30pm, free entry for ages five to 17 with their fathers and father figures. 01268 779100.
- Saturday Morning Club - St Michael's Church Hall, Leigh Road, 10am-noon, admission free, Inter-Church Caring for the Elderly and Disabled. 01702 437863.
- Brush Strokes Art Group - Highlands Methodist Church, Leigh, 9.15am-12.15pm, new members welcome. 01277 627043.
- Different Strokes Exercise Class - St Peter's Church Hall, Eastbourne Grove, Southend, for those who have had a stroke, 2.30pm. 01702 612509.
- Jazz workshop - Southend Jazz Co-op, Hadleigh old Fire Station, Hadleigh 10am-1pm, £5 per session (concessions available).
- Flamingo Fairs vintage & more fair - The Churchill Room, Wanstead Library, corner of Woodbine Place and Spratt Hall Road 11am-4pm, free entry.

### Sunday, May 3

- South East Essex Conservation Volunteers - Hadleigh Country Park. Meet 10.00am. Visit [www.seecv.org.uk](http://www.seecv.org.uk) or call 01702 543193.
- Ron Spack's dinner jazz - Westcliff

- Hotel, Westcliff, 1pm 01702 512819.
- Canvey Miniature Railway Train Rides - by Waterside Sports Centre, Somnes Avenue, Canvey Island, SS8 9FA. 10.30am - 4pm, adults and children £1 each a ride, weather permitting. 07950 659596.
- Hockley & District Horticultural Society trading hut - 10am-noon, for all your gardening sundries, membership £3, behind Hawkwell Village Hall, Main Road, Hawkwell.
- Sunday School - Get on Board (no charge), The Ark, Hadleigh Methodist Church, Chapel Lane, SS7 2PQ, 11am-noon, ages three to 10. 07585 601815 or 07967 913344.
- Quaker Meeting for silent worship and meditation - Quaker Meeting House, Dundonald Drive, Leigh, 10.30-11.30am, followed by conversation over tea and biscuits, all welcome.
- King's Church Southend - Blenheim School, off Blenheim Chase, Leigh, every Sunday 10.30am-noon, 01702 523639.
- Greek Community of Southend and District, Church of St Barbara, St Phanourios and St Paul's - Salisbury Avenue, Westcliff, 10am-noon. 01702 466435.
- Sunday Club - TGH Evangelical Church, Kiln Road, Thundersley, (children 3-12 years), Bible stories, craft, singing, 10.45-11.45am, no charge, details 01702 554904.
- Mojo Friendship Club - Travellers Joy, Downhall Road, Rayleigh, 11.30am, open to all, details Mo 07757 658799.

### Monday, May 4

- Echors from Above - spiritual centre, Ekco Sports and Social Club Thornford Gardens, SS2 6PU. 7.15pm. £3.50, all profits to charity, wards at Southend Hospital.
- Club 50+ - Southend, 9.30am-3.30pm daily, non-members welcome, £2 day pass, details 01702 346863.
- Sunshine Coffee Morning - for parents in Craylands and Felmeos area, Briscoe Community Centre, 9-11am, free informative workshop, coffee, cake and creche. Call Dawn 07880 035968, or turn up.
- Dance class - usually six-week course, ballroom, Latin American, Ashingdon and East Hawkwell Memorial Hall. Info: 01702 546219/542349.
- Leigh Scrabble Club - 7-10pm. All standards welcome. Welsley Hall, Leigh Broadway, Leigh-on-Sea. Just turn up or call Peter on 01268 727915.
- George Hurd Centre, Basildon, for the over-50s. Craft: 10am-noon, tai chi: whist 9.45-12.30, 10am to noon, art: 12.30-2.30pm, choir: 2.30-4pm, indoor bowls: 2-

- 4pm. £2, 01268 465854.
- Senior Citizens Club - Richmond Hall, Benfleet, 1.30-3.30pm.
- Counselling Service - The Olive Tree Centre, 9am-9pm, call anytime and we will get back to you, 01702 524346, enquiries@olivetreecentre.org.uk.
- Over-50s Keep-fit Classes - Fryerns Community Centre, details Pat 01268 770294.
- Over-50s session - Megacentre Rayleigh, 7 Brook Road. Badminton and table tennis 2-4pm. £3.50 inc refreshments and equipment. 01268 773100.
- Activity Session for adults with special needs - 10am to noon. The Megacentre, Rayleigh, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, £1 per session, no charge for carers.
- Duplicate Bridge - Balmoral Bridge Club, Highlands Methodist Church, Olive Avenue, Leigh (opp Thames Drive), 1.15pm-4.30pm, call Vernon 01702 343611 or Tony 01702 520993.
- Duplicate Bridge - Thorpe Bay Bridge Club, 62 Southchurch Boulevard, Southend, non-members of all standards welcome, 2-4.45pm (no partner needed), 7.30-10.30pm, call Danny 07843 771774.
- Weekly Craft Workshop - St Peter's Church Hall, Thundersley, Benfleet, 6-8pm, details Michelle 07730 582784.
- Basildon Players Amateur Dramatic Group - 8-10pm, James Hornsby High School, Leinster Road, Laindon, details Jeff Levy 07913 426371 or email [join@basildonplayers.co.uk](mailto:join@basildonplayers.co.uk).
- Zumba - Pitsea Day Centre Over-50s Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, 9.15-10am. 01268 465432.
- Beginners Computer Course - Pitsea Day Centre Over-50s, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, 11am-1pm. 01268 465432.
- Club 60 - Southend, 9.30-4pm, tea bar, non-members welcome, £2 day pass, details 01702 613562.
- Short Mat Bowls Club in Hadleigh - welcomes new members, Canvey Short Mat Bowls Club, call Kevin 01268 792433.
- Short Mat Bowls - in Thundersley, beginners welcome, details 01268 779174.
- Indoor Short Mat Bowls - Prittlewell Bowls Club, Priory Park, Southend, details Ray 01268 777666.
- Indoor Bowls - George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for over-50s, Mon 2-4pm, Tues 2.15-4.45pm, Wed 1.30-3.30pm. 01268 465854.
- Whist - George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for over-50s, 10am to noon, details 01268 465854.
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- Butneys, 1.30-3.30pm, 01268 293995.
- Pensioners stall - York Road Outdoor Market, Southend, 8am-2pm.
- Evening of clairvoyance - Room 2, Paddocks, Long Road, Canvey, doors 7.30pm, £3, all profits donated to local charities, healing available after service 9pm, enquiries 01268 691922.
- Healing - in Basildon from 10.30am-4pm, qualified NFSA healers, no charge, all donations to local hospice, call 07956 353564 for an appointment.
- Development Healing Circle - Face Salon, Burdett Avenue, Westcliff, an understanding of spiritual healing and prayer, 8-9.30pm, details 07879 004744.
- Fitness Walking - from Leigh Tennis Club, Highlands Boulevard, Leigh, 7.15-8.15pm, details 01702 715509.
- Scrabble Club - Wesley Church Hall, Elm Road, Leigh Broadway, (opp police station), beginners welcome, no partner needed, 7-10pm, £3 inc tea/coffee, call 01268 727915.
- Parent and Toddler Messy Play Group - Buttercup Club, St Michael's and All Angels Church, Sir Walter Raleigh Drive, Rayleigh, 9.30am and 11am. 01702 712150.

### Tuesday, May 5

- Pamper and Gift Evening - Wick Community Centre, Silva Island, Wickford. Therapeutic and beauty treatments, hypnotherapy, thai massage, jewellery, baby and children's clothes, shoes, handbags, handmade goods, cupcakes, nappy cakes, shellac nails, slimming consultant & much more. 6.30-10pm, admission £2.50 inc drink and free raffle, 01268 572727 or email: [pampere@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:pampere@yahoo.co.uk)
- Anchor Folk Club - Brooke Williams, 7-9, Northview Drive, Westcliff, 8pm, £8, 01702 715111.
- Counselling service - The Olive Tree Centre, 9am-9pm, call 01702 524346, enquiries@olivetreecentre.org.uk.
- Yoga Class - Thorpedene Community Centre, Delaware Road, Shoeburyness, 7-8.30pm, £6 beginners welcome. Please bring a blanket and your yoga mat, from 16 plus. 07961 314983.
- Social Dance Class - with instruction, in ballroom, Latin American and sequence, 8.30-10.30, Ashingdon & East Hawkwell Memorial Hall. 01702 546219/542349.
- Table Tennis - 7.30-10.30pm, The Megacentre, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, £3.60 per session.
- Weekly Craft Group - Oasis Coffee House, 189 Leigh Road, Leigh, 2.30-4pm. No charge or booking required. Emma 01702 471873.

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■ Willows Park Short Mat Bowls Club require new or experienced players – James Hornsby School, Laindon weekly. First session free call or text Alan 07952 043456.  
■ Social Dance – 1.45pm, St Cedd's Church, Bridgewater Drive, Westcliff. Ballroom, sequence, Latin, 01702 618771.  
■ Evening of clairvoyance – St Cecilia's Christian Spiritualist Church, 9 Lord Roberts Avenue, Leigh, 7.15pm, £2, enquiries Anne 01702 556470.  
■ Folk Music – The Hoy at Anchor Folk Club, Royal British Legion, 7/9 Northview Drive, Westcliff, Steve Tilston, 8pm. 01702 715111.  
■ Tea Dance – Ashington Memorial Hall, Ashington Road, Rochford, ballroom, Latin and sequence, 2-4pm. 01702 584575.  
■ Scrabble Club – Hockley Social Centre (rear of library) 6.30-10pm, first two visits free, 01702 205910.  
■ Ladies Fellowship – Salvation Army in Hadleigh, 7.30pm, 50p per week or annual subscription, just come along or call 01702 551470.  
■ The Puffer's Club, Exercise Class for people with breathing difficulties run by people with breathing difficulties, Ambleside Sports and Social Club, Ambleside Drive, Southend, 12.45-2.30pm. 01702 610050/466827.  
■ Pathfinders Blind and Partially Sighted Group – Fryerns Baptist Church, Whitmore Way, 9.30am-2pm.  
■ Evening of clairvoyance – St Cecilia's Church, 9 Lord Roberts Avenue, Leigh, every Tuesday 7.15pm, £2 enquiries Anne 01702 556470.  
■ The George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for the over 50s, Yoga: 10-11am, Sit down Yoga: 11.10-12.10, Keep fit: 12-1pm, Line Dancing: 1.20-2.20pm, Chess: 1.30-3.30pm, Craft: 1.30-3.30, 1.30-3.30pm, 01268 465854.  
■ Singles Social Group – The Mews, Nelson Mews off Clarence Road car park, Southend, age 50plus, 8pm. 07970 432994.  
■ Singles Friendship Club for 50 plus – South Benfleet Social Club, 8.15pm, details Maureen 01268 692998.  
■ New and nearly new stall – outside St Martin's Church, Town Centre, Basildon, (if wet in church foyer), 10am-noon.  
■ Table Top Sale – Outpatients Foyer, Southend Hospital, 9.30am-3pm, Breathe Easy Southend, helping support people with lung problems. 01702 258661.  
■ Carpet Bowls – Eastwood Community Centre, top of Morrison's car park, 1.45-3.45pm, no experience necessary, £2 per session, joining fee £5, first session free.  
■ Bingo and Hoy – Wick Community

Centre, Wickford, 1.30-4pm, details John Clarke 01268 570575.  
■ Top Cats Social Club, (Southend Mencap) – Castle View School, Meppel Avenue, Canvey, 7-9.45pm, for adults with learning disabilities age 25 plus, £2 per session, details 01702 341250.  
■ Tuesday Luncheon Club – Inter-Church Caring for the Elderly and Disabled, Avenue Baptist Church Hall, Milton Road, Westcliff, for people living alone or with their carers, details 01702 478691/525141/340617.  
■ Little Lunchers Activity Club – St Michael's Church, Rayleigh, 11.45am-1.15pm.  
■ Vange Tots – Vange Community Centre, Vange Hill Drive, Vange, 9.30-11.30am, admission £1, snack and drinks provided for all. 01268 498642.  
■ Shoebury Flagship – Rainbow Children's Centre, Friars School, Constable Way, Shoebury, 1.30-3.30pm, health visiting team with advice and support for parents with babies and children up to 5 years. 01702 577656.

## Wednesday, May 6

■ Free Tai Chi Taster Session – 7.30-9.30pm, Shoebury High School, Caulfield Road, SS3 9LL, 07816790016.  
■ Mayflower Wine & Social Club – Day Centre, Chantry Way, Billericay, 8pm. Wine tasting quiz, new members welcome, £2, 01277 652001.  
■ Pregnancy Yoga Class – Westwood Primary School, Hadleigh, 8-9pm. £6 per session. Details Linda 01702 552260.  
■ Line dancing lessons – 12.30-2.30pm, St Margaret's Church Hall, Lime Avenue, Leigh-on-Sea, SS9 3PA. 07948 108195.  
■ Counselling Service – The Olive Tree Centre, 9am-9pm, call anytime and we will get back to you, 01702 524346, enquiries@olivetreecentre.org.uk.  
■ The Concord Ladies Club of Rayleigh – 1.30-3.00pm. Caley Hall, Crown Hill, Rayleigh, 01268 743240.  
■ Leigh Singles Social Club – 45-65s, Bellini's, London Road, Leigh. www.leighsingles.co.uk for details.  
■ Activity Session for children with special needs, aged five to 18, The Megacentre, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh. Donation of £1 per session, siblings welcome.  
■ Graham's Social Tea Dance – Richmond Hall, Richmond Avenue, Benfleet. Ballroom, Latin and sequence dances for all abilities. 2-4.25pm, free car park, strictly over-18s, £4 per person. 01268 752473.  
■ George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for the over-50s. Keep fit: 10-11am, sit down keep fit: 10-11am, salsa/ballroom: 11.30am-

12.30pm, sequence dance: 12.30-1.15pm, art: 1.30-3.30pm, indoor bowls: 1.30-3.30pm, £2, 01268 465854.  
■ Barn Dance – Grand Ceilidh Club, Royal Naval Association, East Street, Southend, live music, 8.30pm. 01702 553622.  
■ Indoor Carpet Bowls, St Edmunds Hall, Pantile Avenue, Southend, 2-4pm, details Olive 01702 625069.  
■ Played Bowls Before? Come and try it at FS&S Club, Gardeners Close, Basildon, all-weather green, free coaching given, call Chris 01268 419831.  
■ Breathing Exercise Group – run by Breathe Easy Basildon, Steeple View Memorial Hall, 1-2.30pm, if you have COPD or recently finished pulmonary rehabilitation call Honore 01268 574390.  
■ Social afternoon of ballroom and Latin dancing – Mill Hall, Rayleigh, 1.45-4.15pm, with Pat and Bob. 01702 544112.  
■ Health Walk – Canvey Sea Wall, 10.30am, meet Labworth car park.  
■ Canvey Island, details 01702 318121.  
■ Alaron, International/Worldwide Support Group – for families, friends of alcoholics and other addicts, 1 Sutton Road, All Saints Church, Southchurch, Southend, 7.30pm, (non-denominational).  
■ Pulse Drum Club – St David's Church Hall, Rayleigh Road, Eastwood, 3.45pm-4.45pm, £3 per session. 01702 540111.  
■ Over-50s session – Megacentre Rayleigh, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh. Badminton and short mat bowls 2-4pm, £3.50 inc refreshments and use of equipment. 01268 773100.  
■ Activity sessions – The Megacentre, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, for children with special needs, aged five to 18, free entry, siblings welcome, details 01268 779100.  
■ Palace Writers Group – 7.30pm, alternating venues with the Palace and Cliffs Pavilion, open mic events and public readings, details Emily 01702 390472.  
■ Roche Art Group – St Teresa's Church Hall, behind the church, 109 Ashington Road, Rochford, 7.30-9.30pm, visitors welcome, details Gill 01702 421737.  
■ Advanced Computer Course – Pitsea Day Centre, over-50s, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, 9.30-11.30am. 01268 465432.  
■ Duplicate Bridge – Highlands Methodist Church, Olive Avenue, Leigh, 7.30pm, details Hilary 01702 712501.  
■ Parent and Toddler Messy Play Group – Buttercup Club, Leigh Community Centre, Elm Road, Leigh, 9.30am and 11am, 01702 712150.  
■ Brentwood Buddies – new social club for ages 40-60, The Essex Arms, Warley Hill, Brentwood, 8pm. Contact Julie 07969

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071392 text or phone before turning up. New Thundersley(A) Townswomen and Guilds – St George's Church Hall, Rushbottom Lane, South Benfleet 1.30-3.15pm, details Norma 01268 794694.

## Thursday, May 7

■ Summertime afternoon tea and cakes – Wesley Methodist Church, Elm Road. 60+ £1, 2-4pm.  
■ Counselling service – The Olive Tree Centre, 9am-9pm, call anytime and we will get back to you, 01702 524346, enquiries@olivetreecentre.org.uk.  
■ Thundersley Gardening Association – 7.45pm, Swans Green Hall, Hart Road, Thundersley, please bring exhibits, £3.  
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■ Health Walk – Hockley Woods, 10.45am, car parking in Hockley Woods car park, details 01702 318121.  
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■ Pottery – George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for the over-50s, 1.30-3.30pm. 01268 465854.  
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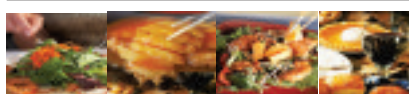
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More choice is available on Sunday as staff serve a snack menu in the bar area and a comprehensive blackboard, which always includes a choice of four roasts, the famous homemade pie of the day and fresh fish, and other dishes.



Its Sunday lunch menu costs £8.95 for a main meal, £10.75 for two courses and £12.25 for three courses. There is also a comprehensive bar menu offering a range of favourites from prawn cocktail, potato wedges and rack of ribs, to burger meals, scampi and ploughman's.

The Chimes Restaurant can also be hired for private functions, whether you want to enjoy a sit-down meal for up to 50 people, or a buffet-style celebration for up to 100. During the summer you can enjoy al fresco dining at the front of the premises, and every Thursday evening from 9pm there is a quiz night in the bar area.

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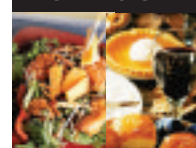
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Its owner, who opened Il Palazzo earlier this year to offer diners a new, family-friendly concept, said: "We have put our own stamp on a range of different dishes to offer diners something different. They have been delighted with the dishes ever since."

"As well as serving fantastic Italian cuisine, the restaurant also offers diners a much more relaxed atmosphere, and with all-day opening hours, it is ideal for those looking for a bite during the day and others wanting to linger over a traditional Italian meal during the evening."

"There's a much more relaxed atmosphere to enjoy at Il Palazzo and as it is child-friendly, it is perfect for all the family."

As its vast menu has exceptional variety there are a wide selection of pasta, pizza, meat and fish dishes to enjoy, as well as starters, desserts and chef specials – all at reasonable prices.

It also has a dedicated children's menu, with a choice of pasta dishes or pizza for just £3.50.

Visit during the day and enjoy a special Lunch Menu including Italian paninos with chips for £4.95 or any pizza or pasta dish for £5.95, or take your seat during the evening for a special two-course meal, with a choice of starter and main course, from Sunday to Thursday for just £12.95.

On Sundays relax over a roast dinner with all the trimmings for just £6.95 for your main meal, or call in any time from 10.30am until 4pm, from Monday to Saturday, for coffee and cakes for £3.95.



As the restaurant can cater for up to 90 people it is also the place for a range of celebrations, from anniversaries to birthdays, for which both bookings and walk-ins are welcome.

Father's Day bookings are being taken at both restaurants when staff will be serving a whole a la carte menu all day.

The Westcliff branch is also taking bookings

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For further information or to make a reservation at Il Palazzo, at 513 Southchurch Road, Southend, call 01702 467793 or 1 West Road, Westcliff-on-Sea, opposite the Palace Theatre, on 01702 341-888 or visit [www.ilpalazzo.co.uk](http://www.ilpalazzo.co.uk). Please be aware when booking that you are choosing the correct location.

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# Drivetime

## People carrier that won't hit your pocket

By Patrick James

THINK of a people carrier or mini-bus and Korean car makers hardly spring to mind – and they are hardly styling gems.

Your small business user or taxi driver is hardly concerned with beauty, but Hyundai's i800 delivers all-important practicality and people-carrying capacity and doesn't look that bad either.

It features smart alloy wheels, neat fog lamps and tinted rear privacy glass. It is not beautiful, but this people carrier is certainly an attractive financial proposition at just over £23,000 for what is a big car and a five-year, unlimited mileage warranty.

It also features a frugal 2.5-litre diesel engine, which although struggling at times when fully laden, still has a claimed economy of 37-odd mpg. It is mated to a slick-shifting five-speed gearbox.

It is a full eight-seater with full-size rearmost seats, it has loads of standard kit, offers substantial luggage space and rear wheel drive. It is huge though, both long and wide, so parking spaces need to be chosen carefully. You can see who would be attracted to this – big extended families who do plenty of



COMFORT AND JOY: Hyundai i800 2.5 CRDi Style

travelling or the taxi driver specialising in runs to the airport.

Eight adults are accommodated in comfort – two at the front and three in the middle and rear bench seats.

The middle row are 60:40 split-fold and recline and slide forward to allow easier entrance to the rear via the sliding doors at the side.

There is bags of extra room between the front two seats, while all occupants have good head and legroom, while rear occupants benefit from subtle, ambient lighting.

Boot space is restricted by the third row, but 841 litres of space is still available. In addition, there is a large overhead storage console and

other containers throughout the cabin.

The ride can be a bit bumpy when unladen but the vehicle is far from uncomfortable. What still comes as a surprise, but shouldn't really these days, is the fact that the vehicle is kitted out so well.

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**CO2 emissions:** 197g/km

**BiK rating:** 37%

**Warranty:** Five years/unlimited mileage

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# Motoring News



DRIVERS' FAVOURITE:  
The Lexus IS300

## Lexus voted best in Britain

By Chris Russon

BRITISH drivers are going green with hybrid and electric vehicles being voted among the best cars to own in a new survey.

The Lexus IS hybrid came out on top in this year's Driver Power poll run by motoring magazine Auto Express.

Other cars in the top 10 included the Renault ZOE battery-powered hatchback and the Nissan Leaf – one of four British-built models which impressed.

In the survey drivers rated their vehicles over 10 categories including reliability, running costs, practicality and in-car technology.

More than 61,000 people took part, making it the nation's most in-depth study into customer's satisfaction with their cars.

Steve Fowler, editor-in-chief of Auto Express, said: "Car buyers are attracted by the low running costs of hybrid and electric cars, but Driver Power 2015 shows that the whole ownership experience for these cars is pretty enjoyable, too."

The Mk3 Lexus IS scored 93.96 per cent in the customer satisfaction poll ending the

Skoda Yeti's three-year run as top model.

Three-quarters of all Lexus IS owners who responded own the eco-friendly hybrid version. The new Lexus NX, also sold in hybrid form, came sixth overall, while Lexus, was also voted the UK's favourite manufacturer.

Models made by Jaguar and MG also scored well in the poll as did the Mini.

The survey revealed that the average amount spent on a car has gone up by 12 per cent between 2013 and 2015, from £14,453 to £16,115, and that drivers are replacing their cars more frequently with those who have owned their car for less than a year rising by 13 per cent since 2013.

The top models in the Auto Express Driver Power study 2015 are:

1. Lexus IS
2. Skoda Yeti
3. Hyundai i10
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5. Renault ZOE
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## BLUES ON THE BRINK



ECSTATIC: Blues boss Phil Brown

### Southend United

**Southend United 1 Luton Town 0**  
Brian Jeeves reporting from  
Roots Hall Stadium

TEN-man Southend United took a huge step towards automatic promotion after Michael Timlin's second half goal saw off Luton Town on a dramatic afternoon at Roots Hall.

David Worrall's sensational mid-week winner at Bury extended the Shrimpers winning run to six matches, lifting them level with third place Wycombe Wanderers.

Indeed, only goal difference offered the Buckinghamshire outfit a slender advantage in the race for a promotion berth.

Visitors Luton, backed by a huge travelling support of almost 2,300 fans, desperately needed to find some form after a run which had seen them win just twice in 11 outings and slip just outside the play-off positions.

Nevertheless, a 3-0 rout of Hartlepool United seven days earlier suggested this would be anything but a cake-walk for Southend.

Amidst a raucous atmosphere early exchanges were somewhat untidy, with the Hatters first to display a threat.

At the other end, Timlin's scuffed shot was hacked clear as the Blues looked for an early advantage.

Blues came close to an opening goal when Barry Corr forced Hatters goalkeeper Elliot Justham into a save low to his left, this after Ryan Leonard had crafted the opening.

Soon after, Corr was at it again, this time finding Justham's gloves after Timlin centred from the right.

As the half wore on Blues continued to ask the sterner questions.

Jake Cassidy's long range strike was expertly dealt with by Justham, while Luton's best moments came through lively substitute Shaun Whalley, who was causing Southend some concern from the flank.

The cagey nature of the contest continued after the break, with chances coming at a premium and

**ALMOST THERE: Barry Corr challenges Luton's Luke Wilkinson**  
Photos by Martin Dalton



defences generally on top.

Ben Coker curled an effort over that did little to trouble Justham, while Cassidy was unable to turn Coker's delicious cross goalwards.

Luton probed, Jake Howells' low cross was snubbed out by a combination of Adam Barrett and Daniel Bentley, while at the other end Corr was agonisingly close to breaking the deadlock, sending a close range attempt just over the top.

And Blues continued to pass up opportunities. Barrett headed Worrall's pin-point centre over, while Corr was unable to reach another wonderful cross from the former Bury wide man as the home side piled on the pressure.

Southend were generally bossing the game, but in the 67th minute there was a dramatic twist.

Coker fouled the marauding Whalley and was given his marching orders by referee Iain Williamson, much to the disgust of the majority among a season's best crowd.

Luton looked to make the numerical advantage count, former Shrimpers man Luke Guttridge was

just off target after a sustained spell of pressure, while the visitors escaped when Justham produced an excellent save from Corr's thunderous strike from 25 yards.

Realising nothing but a win would keep their automatic promotion hopes alive, Southend pushed for a decisive goal. Barrett's volley was expertly fielded by Justham.

But Luton showed they were still a threat when Whalley's run and snap-shot was palmed away by Bentley.

But with little under 10 minutes remaining Roots Hall exploded into life. Timlin's timid shot was covered all the way by Justham, but unexplainably the ball slipped through the Hatters keeper's grasp and trickled over the line.

Luton were clearly stunned.

Scott Griffiths's shot was tipped over by Bentley as the Hatters looked for an immediate response, then Whalley's dead-ball effort zipped over with Bentley fully extended.

In a dramatic finale Luton threw caution to the wind, but Blues held firm to record a fantastic victory.

The crowd's mood was improved further when news filtered through that rivals Wycombe Wanderers had lost 1-0 at home to Morecambe.

An ecstatic Phil Brown said: "Michael Timlin, Will Atkinson, Ryan Leonard and Gary Deegan, we've been asking them all season to score from midfield. Through midfield they've got some very important goals of late. Another 1-0 victory is just phenomenal. It's not what fairytales are made of, it is what hard work gets you, and that's what we've been doing on the training ground day in and day out."

On Coker's sending off, Brown stated: "I don't know if there's an appeal process, so I'm not going to make a fool of myself by saying we will appeal. If I can do, I will."

"I thought by the time the lad had got beyond him Cain Bolger was actually on the ball when the referee blew the whistle. If that's not the last man covering, what is? And he was going away from goal as well."

Defender Barrett said: "It was fantastic to be out here again in front of a packed house."

"It was quite cagey, there was a lot riding on it. I thought we stuck to our task, we created the better chances."

"Obviously we've got a little bit of luck with the goal but we'll take it. I thought overall we deserved the win."

Blues travel to Morecambe next on Saturday, May 2 (kick-off 3pm), knowing a victory will ensure promotion to League One.

**Southend United:** Daniel Bentley, Ben Coker, David Worrall, Michael Timlin, Barry Corr, Will Atkinson (Luke Prosser), Cian Bolger, Ryan Leonard (Capt), Gary Deegan, Jake Cassidy (Jack Payne) (Myles Weston), Adam Barrett. Subs not used: Ted Smith, Kevin Hurst, Stephen McLaughlin, Joe Pigott.

**Luton Town:** Elliot Justham, Jonathan Smith, Steve McNulty (Capt), Jake Howells, Scott Griffiths, Mark Cullen, Michael Harriman, Nathan Doyle, Luke Wilkinson, Elliott Lee (Luke Guttridge), Cameron McGeehan (Shaun Whalley). Subs not used: Mark Tyler, Alex Lacey, Ryan Hall, Lewis Kinsells, Alex Wall.

**Referee:** Iain Williamson.

**Assistants:** Nick Hobbs and Ashvin Deg-

**Fourth Official:** Michael George.

**Attendance:** 10,730

### Non-league round-up

## Tilbury in a thriller

by Brian Jeeves

GAME of the day in the Ryman League Division One North saw Tilbury and Barkingside share the spoils with an electrifying 2-2 draw at Chadfields. Lee Weemes and Calvin Poku scored for 'Side either side of an Emiel Aiken goal from the Dockers. But with time running out Anthony Martin snatched a dramatic equaliser to earn the home side a point. And it was the same outcome at Leslie Field were Burnham Ramblers collected a rare point from a pulsating encounter with Wroxham.

Aveley completed a satisfactory season with a 3-1 win over Great Wakering Rovers at Mill Field. Liam Nash (2) and Aryan Retko-ceri, were on target for the Millers, Stuart Hepburn replied for the villagers. Nicholas Reynolds (2) and Joe Scott helped Romford to a 3-1 win over Ware, and there was a 2-1 win for Redbridge over Cheshunt at Station Road. Heybridge Swifts saw off Brentwood Town by two goals to nil.

In the Ryman League Canvey Island needed at least a point to secure their Premier Division status. Visitors Wingate & Finchley roared into a two goal lead, much to the dismay of many amongst the bumper Prospects Stadium crowd of 371. But Danny Heale's men were not to be denied, and goals from Steven Smith, Jack Simmons and Harrison Chatting earned the Gulls a memorable 3-2 triumph.

Grays Athletic also finished their season in style, Sean Cronin and Joao Carlos were on target for the Blues in a 2-0 win at Kingstonian, but unfortunately other results saw Mark Bentley's men miss out on a play-off berth.

Elsewhere Joey May was relegated AFC Hornchurch's scorer in a disappointing 2-1 defeat at Metropolitan Police and there was a 2-0 setback for Billericay Town at VCD Athletic. East Thurrock United were involved in a five goal thriller at Maidstone United. In front of a huge crowd of 2,226, the Kentish outfit eventually edged it 3-2 to clinch the title.

There were plenty of goals in the games involving the regions Vanarama Conference teams. In the Premier Division, Braintree Town completed their campaign with an entertaining 4-2 victory over Altrincham. Jordan Cox bagged a brace for the hosts, with James Mulley and Bernard Mensah also on target for the Iron.

And there were exciting encounters in the South Division. Tony Stokes (2) and Lewis Taaffe found the net in the second half for Concord Rangers in a 3-0 win at relegated Farnborough, and there was a seven goal thriller at the Melbourne Stadium as Chelmsford City went down 4-3 to Borehamwood. Harry Hickford, Rohdell Gordon and Leon Redwood were the goal men for the unlucky Clarets.

In the Essex Senior League, Darrell Cox incredibly grabbed eight goals as Champions Haringey Borough thrashed hapless Tower Hamlets 12-0. Bowers & Pitsea finished a fantastic season with a 3-1 win over London Bari, while New Town rivals Basildon United won by the odd goal in three at Takeley. Elsewhere Hullbridge Sports saw off Greenhouse London 3-0 at Lower Road.

Selected action from the ProKit UK Essex Senior League saw Rayleigh Town win their Premier Division encounter with Southminster St Leonards 6-0, and in Division Three there was a 9-1 hammering for Upminster at the hands of Catholic United.

## Saxons safe for another season in fourth tier

### Rugby

**Redruth 18 Southend Saxons 16**  
SOUTHEND Saxons did enough in the last game of the season away to Redruth to secure the point they needed to survive the drop.

Whilst it must be a huge disappointment for them not being able

to play Westcliff at first team level next season they were delighted to stay at the fourth level of English rugby for yet another year.

Southend should have won the game on Saturday but did not take advantage of the opportunities they carved out for themselves. Even the BBC Cornwall commentator

expressed his surprise at them not making use of a number of glaring overlaps. Still, two tries from the ever present Dan Legge and a couple of good penalty kicks from Brad Burr were enough to keep the losing margin to just two points, sufficient for the bonus point and survival.

Despite the joy for players and supporters alike it should be noted that this was a inconsistent and disjointed season.

Even without the five points deducted for playing an unregistered player (Sam Fombo) they would have only finished one place higher in the league.



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